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LE MONDE DE L'ÉCONOMIE

Economics and the Economy

(l')économie (d'un pays / d'une région)

economy

Most of the countries in the region have stable economies.

économie de plein emploi

full-employment economy

économie de pointe

high-tech economy

Creating a high-tech economy has required a highly skilled workforce.

économie dirigée

state-controlled economy

économie libérale / de marché

free-market economy

partisan de l'économie libérale

free-marketeer

économie mixte

mixed economy

économie officielle

above-ground / visible economy

In specialised magazines, legal economic and financial procedures are sometimes referred to as "above-ground economy".

économie parallèle

black economy

économie planifiée

planned economy

économie politique

political economy

économie souterraine

concealed / hidden / parallel / secondary / secret / shadow / underground economy

The underground economy includes all the money-making activities that are not declared to the tax authorities.

économique (qui à rapport à l'économie)

economic

This industrial sector is recovering from its poor economic state.

acteur économique

economic operator

agent économique

economic agent

analyse économique

economic analysis

blocus économique

economic blockade

If the economic blockade is not lifted, the country will soon be going through severe shortages.

climat économique

economic climate

There has been a slowdown in sales due to the poor economic climate.

conjoncture économique

economic outlook / situation / trend

stratégie conjoncturelle

economic strategy

coût économique

economic cost

crise économique

economic crisis (pl. crises) / slump

développement (économique)

durable

sustainable (economic) development

indicateur (de conjoncture) / repère

économique

economic / business indicator

indicateur clef

key indicator

indicateur de marché

market indicator

indicateurs de tendance

leading indicators / market indication

indicateur statistique
statistical indicator

mesure économique
economic measure

We need to discuss these questions with economic measure experts.

perspectives économiques / prévisions conjoncturelles
economic outlook / prospects

perspectives brillantes / mornes / sombres

bright / bleak / gloomy outlook / prospects
Despite the gloomy outlook our policy has proved totally successful.

planification économique
economic planning

Some countries have a Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning.

politique économique
economic policy

prévision économique
economic / business forecast

The economic forecasts for the coming months are quite optimistic.

prévoir

to anticipate / forecast / foresee / predict
Some European forecasters have predicted prices may start falling by next year.

programme / projet / plan d'action économique

economic programme (GB) / program (US) / scheme / project

programme d'austérité
austerity package

période d'austérité
austere times

The country has entered austere times and the drastic measures now aim at restoring growth.

relance économique

economic / industrial recovery // economic deflation

The reopening of our branches abroad will depend on the world industrial recovery.

relancer l'économie

to boost / reactivate / reflate / revive the economy

reprise économique

economic rebound / recovery / upswing / upturn

(les) responsables économiques
economic leaders

secteur économique
economic sector

tendance économique
economic trend / tendency

privatiser / dénationaliser / déréguler
to privatise / denationalise / deregulate

économique / de façon économique (avantageux)
economical

There are now very economical ways of manufacturing these products.

politique d'économie d'énergie
energy conservation policy

politique d'économies
policy of retrenchment

faire des économies d'énergie
to conserve energy // economise / save on energy

(l')économie (science)
economics

Economics is the branch of social science that deals with the production and distribution and consumption of goods and services and their management.

macro- / micro- économie
macro- / micro- economics

croissance / développement économique
economic growth

The rate of economic growth has reached its lowest point this year.

croissance par habitant / tête
per capita economic development

croissance zéro
zero growth

indice de croissance
growth index

The growth index of developing countries has stabilised.

potentiel de croissance

growth potential

The high-tech sector is still thought to have enormous growth potential.

secteur de croissance / secteur en expansion

growth sector / area

taux de croissance / d'expansion

growth rate

Their economic growth rate is not so bad as some may say.

rapide expansion

boom

Together with the boom of e-business, a lot of new legal problems have cropped up.

s'étendre / être en expansion

to expand

être en rapide expansion

to boom

prospère / florissant

prosperous / flourishing / thriving

After buying out this hotel chain, the consortium built it into a flourishing global business.

maximum / niveau record / pic / point culminant / sommet

peak

Business has been at its peak over the last quarter.

atteindre un niveau record / être au maximum

to reach a peak / to peak

The tourist trade generally reaches its peak in summer.

baisse / diminution

decrease / fall

baisse brutale / marasme

slump

Giant firms used to export only when there was a domestic slump.

baisse d'activité

downturn / downturn

The slump is partly a reflection of the world-wide downturn.

baisse périodique

trough

The business cycle is a series of peaks and troughs.

déclin

decline

être en déclin

to decay / decline

The shipbuilding sector has been declining for many years.

effondrement

collapse

s'effondrer / baisser tout à coup

to collapse / slump

The world price of tin collapsed when the mine's output hit the market.

ralentissement

slack

Some of the slack may disappear as industries are becoming more productive.

ralentir

to slacken / slow down

The pace of growth has slackened dramatically over the last three years.

récession

recession

At a time of recession, the war adds up to a sharper economic and social concern worldwide.

être en récession / reculer

to recede

stagnation

stagnation

Economic stagnation means nothing good for business.

stagner

to stagnate

If prices stagnate at \$35 per bbl (barrel), oil-producing countries should make huge profits.

redémarrage / renouveau / reprise

recovery / revival

The economic recovery seems to have favoured the leisure industry.

se remettre de / redémarrer

to gain momentum / pick up / recover from / revive

According to international economists, trade will be picking up again soon.

remontée / reprise (de)

(an) upturn / upswing / (a) pick-up (in)

An upturn in business activity would really do the economy a lot of good.